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February 6, 2015

Dr. Brian Murphy President DeAnza College 21250 Stevens Creek Boulevard Cupertino, CA 95014

Dear President Murphy:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting January 7-9, 2015, reviewed the Midterm Report submitted by DeAnza College. The Midterm Report was certified by district and college leadership, including the chancellor, the college president, and leaders of the faculty, staff, and student organizations.

The Commission found that the College did not fully address Recommendation 3 and does not meet Standard III.A.1.c. The Commission acted to require DeAnza College to submit a **Follow-Up Report** by **October 15, 2015** demonstrating how its current faculty evaluation procedures meet the Standard. Based on the evidence in the College Report, the Commission finds that the College has addressed the remaining College Recommendations 1 and 2 and sustained the work accomplished.¹

Institutions are expected to meet Eligibility Requirements and Accreditation Standards at all times during the six-year cycle. It is expected that the changes and improvements noted in the Midterm Report will continue forward in College policies, procedures, practices and outcomes. This will be verified at the time of the next regularly scheduled visit. DeAnza College will submit its Institutional Self Evaluation of Educational Quality and Institutional Effectiveness Report in preparation for the comprehensive review in **October 2017**.

The Midterm Report submitted in Fall 2014 will become part of the accreditation history of the College. The Commission requires that you give the Midterm Report and this letter appropriate dissemination to your College staff and to those who were signatories of your Midterm Report. This group should include the Chancellor, campus leadership, and the Board of Trustees.

Dr. Brian Murphy DeAnza College February 6, 2015

The Commission also requires that the Midterm Report and this Commission action letter be made available to students and the public by placing a copy on the College website. *Please note that in response to public interest in disclosure, the Commission now requires institutions to post accreditation information on a page no more than one click from the institution's home page.*

On behalf of the Commission, I wish to express continuing interest in the institution's educational quality and students' success. Professional self-regulation is the most effective means of assuring institutional integrity, effectiveness, and educational quality.

Sincerely,

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